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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

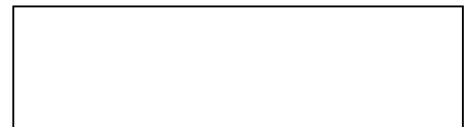
FROM: RADM E. A. Burkhalter, Jr., USN  
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SUBJECT: Central America Joint Intelligence Team (CAJIT) ☐

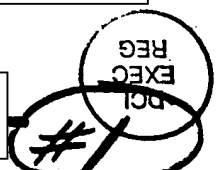
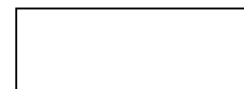
1. This memorandum provides background information which helps to place in context the Director, GDIP Staff's letter (Attachment 1) to Senators Goldwater and Stevens, and Congressmen Addabbo and Boland, on the establishment of the CAJIT. ☐

2. On 25 April 1983, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff sent a memorandum (Attachment 2) to the Secretary of Defense asking his approval for the establishment of the CAJIT. On 27 May the Secretary approved the request (Attachment 3), directing that "the necessary resources be made available through reprogramming and other appropriate resource allocation mechanisms." The Director, GDIP Staff's objective in writing his letter to the Committees was to avoid a formal reprogramming action if at all possible. Staff members from each of the Committees were briefed on the CAJIT in advance, with no objections noted. The letter was intended to serve as formal notification to the Congress of the actions taken. There was some initial confusion from the HAC Staff about the letter when it arrived, centering on two points: the letter referred to the CAJIT in the future tense, when it was obvious that it had been in operation for some time; and the staff appeared to feel, initially, that a reprogramming was required. Both points of confusion have been cleared up, and there will apparently be no further serious congressional concern about the matter. ☐

3. The former point is innocuous--the use of the future tense was meant to indicate that the CAJIT had not yet received permanent billets, nor had it attained its initial operating capability. The second is more substantive. The rules for reprogramming of NFIP funds do not recognize a notification procedure such as the one employed by the Director, GDIP Staff. Further, the



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Intelligence Community Staff was not consulted about what sort of funding mechanism would be explored to provide for the establishment of the CAJIT. We will work closely with the Program Managers to ensure that NFIP reprogramming procedures, as promulgated this week in the revised Capabilities Programming and Budgeting Manual, are well understood. [REDACTED]

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Attachments:

a. D/GDIP Ltr. [REDACTED]

b. JCS Memo [REDACTED]

c. SecDef Memo [REDACTED]

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